

reconsideration for further examination are requested. Per my Interview with Krista Zele, SPRE - TC 2600 (communications attached): Also attached are communications between I and Sr. Examiner V. Trieu as evidence that Claim #3 were his and NOT mine.

Claim 3 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Tseng** [US 5,615,945] in view of Kim [US 5,938,770].

1. But with this new interjected evidence, Per: Krista Zele, SPRE - TC 2600; I am requesting that the Finality of Outstanding Office Action dated April 4, 2002 be withdrawn.
2. And New Claim 4 be amended as my own Claim.
3. I am also requesting that (37 CFR 1.116) be implemented [EXPEDITED PROCEDURE FOR PROCESS-ING AMENDMENTS AND OTHER REPLIES AFTER FINAL REJECTION].

Comment:

I have consulted over a dozen computer technical specialists including consultants, programmers, and engineers (like myself) skilled in the art of computer hardware, pertaining to this. They all concurred that my USB device is fundamentally different from Tseng's device as described in their patent. Tseng's device does not mention or make provision for a USB device or connector. This fact must not be overlooked.

An Overview of USB: (this is necessary to give the reader an understanding of USB)

The Universal Serial Bus (USB) was invented by Intel Corporation along with other Co Developers in 1995 and fully implemented and standardized on all Computer motherboards by 1997.

USB was developed to provide a fast, flexible method of attaching up to 127 peripherals devices to a computer. *USB devices do NOT have to be connected to a PC to function.*

They can be daisy - chained, or networked together, the resulting connection architecture is a tiered-star configuration. The USB system is composed of USB-Hubs & USB-Devices, in any system, there is One USB-Host (which can be a USB-Hub), this unit contains the interface that provides the USB-Host Controller, hence all USB-Hubs has a USB Controller.

The Controller is actually a combination of USB hardware, firmware & software.

My Invention and the Role it plays:

My invention conforms to the USB-Devices section of the tiered-star configuration, so in layman's term; I can plug it in at **ANY** USB-Hub or USB connector. (Hot Swappable) Note: (**A USB-Hub can work independently from a PC with provisions of its own power supply, whereas most USB-Hubs do.**)

Whether it be at the USB-Hubs, a USB-Keyboard, Pocket-PC (that have USB connectivity), a USB-Laptop, USB-Internet Appliances, a USB-Printer and or a USB-Computer, it does not matter as long as the device has USB. My invention crosses platforms to the Games Console systems and works with 'Microsoft's® X-Box', 'Sony's® PlayStation 2' & 'Nintendo's® Game Cube' *with No Computer Present!*

To further reiterate, the differences between my invention and all others sighted reference, is that my invention includes USB connectivity for the illumination device AND is not limited to PC use.

Compare & Contrast of Claims:

Analysis of **Tseng's** claims in Contrast to Claim **New (4)** above:

Tseng's claim - Tseng disclosed a light device for use with a computer.

My Claim - I claim an Illuminating device for USB, which **encompasses all devices or peripherals in the USB spectrum or tiered-star configuration.**

Tseng's claim - They include an elongated, hollow, flexible neck 1, a plug 3 fastened to the flexible neck at one end for connection to *an electrical socket 4 on the computer via a plurality of contact pins 32.*

My Claim - I claim an elongated, standard Universal Serial Bus (USB) wire, configured with a flexible, tubular, stabilizing agent which is easy bendable. Key element elongated USB wire electronically connected to a USB Connector.

Tseng's claim - A lamp assembly 2 fastened to the flexible neck 1 at an opposite end and connected to the plug by electrical wires 33, see Figs. 2-4, col. 1, lines 47-64, col. 2, lines 25-67 and col. 3, lines 1-3.

My Claim - I claim an illuminating light(s), this light requires no lamp assembly or any on/off switch as noted in Tseng Claim 5.

Tseng has a proprietary wire connected with proprietary pins 32 (etc), neither or which conforms to any standardize PC peripherals devices. For example: PS/2 Connector, Serial Connector and or PCMCIA. But Tsung

silence about the universal serial bus (USB) means for connecting the light source and the universal serial bus connector **was NOT obvious, as examiner Van Trieu states!** Tseng does NOT mention USB in their claims and their light, along with **Polly et al, Naghi et al, Lutz et al & Kim**, was solely for the PC.

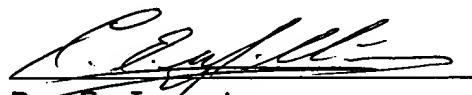
CONCLUSION

Claim 3 has been drafted to further distinguish the present invention over the reference relied upon by the Examiner. As a result, the above-mentioned rejections are submitted to be inapplicable to the new claim 4 for at least the following reasons.

Newly added independent claim 4 is patentable over **Tseng, Polly et al, Naghi et al, Lutz et al & Kim** since claim 4 recites, in part, given the reasons why my claimed elements and our invention are different from rejected reference of Tseng, Polly et al, Naghi et al, Lutz et al & Kim and other cited references.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that there are issues remaining, which must be resolved before allowance of the application.

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